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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q80782

Naoyuki MORITA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/827,251

Group Art Unit: 3722

Confirmation No.: 2533

Examiner: Not yet assigned

Filed: April 20, 2004

For: PRINT BONDING APPARATUS, AUTOMATIC BOOKBINDING APPARATUS AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This responds to the Restriction Requirement, dated January 9, 2007. In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects Group I, claims 1-16 and 18-22, for examination on the merits. This election is made without traverse.

Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected claim 17.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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